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June 30, 2014

Mr. Jared Blumenfeld
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Dear Mr. Blumenfeld:

On May 13, 2014, the Air Resources Board (ARB) submitted to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) revisions to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) that included the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District (District) Rule 42, Permit Fees.

U.S. EPA staff have indicated that fee rules are generally inappropriate for inclusion in the SIP. In a June 2, 2014, letter the District explained that Rule 42 was submitted in error and requested that the Rule be withdrawn from the SIP (copy enclosed). With this letter, ARB therefore requests this Rule be withdrawn from the California SIP.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact Mr. Kurt Karperos, Chief, Air Quality Planning and Science Division at (916) 322-5350, or via email at kkarperos@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Lynn Terry
Deputy Executive Officer

Enclosure

cc: See next page.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.

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RE: Withdrawal of Rule 42, Permit Fees from SIP

Dear Mr. Karperos:

This letter constitutes a formal request to withdraw Ventura County Air Pollution Control District (VCAPCD) Rule 42, Permit Fees, from the State Implementation Plan (SIP). On February 10, 2014, VCAPCD submitted a request to revise the Ventura County portion of the SIP to the California Air Resources Board (ARB). The submittal correctly included amended Rule 54, Sulfur Compounds, but also included Rule 42 in error. ARB in turn submitted a request to revise the Ventura County portion of the SIP to USEPA Region 9 on May 13, 2014. That submittal included both VCAPCD Rule 54 and Rule 42 as originally requested.

Region 9 staff contacted VCAPCD staff questioning the inclusion of Rule 42. In its correspondence, Region 9 reiterated its position that fee rules such as Rule 42 are generally inappropriate for the SIP. Therefore, VCAPCD hereby requests withdrawal of VCAPCD Rule 42 from the SIP.

I apologize for any inconvenience caused by this error. If you have any comments or questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (805) 645-1407.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tyler S. Harris", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Tyler S. Harris
Air Quality Engineer

c: Laura Lawrence, ARB
Andy Steckel, EPA Region 9
Mike Villegas, APCO, VCAPCD

